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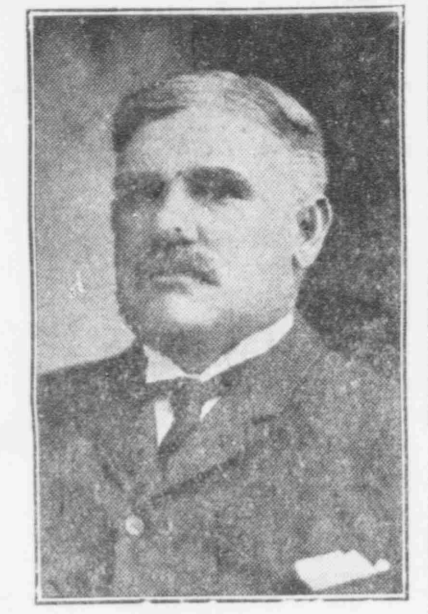
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President-Elect of The Board of Education
—The Man For Judson.



Diversified Farming.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Dec. 16.—Diversified farming, stock raising and dairying were emphasized in the short course for Negro farmers held here at the Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes, of which Walter S. Buchanan is president. The course was concluded to-day with demonstrations on the college farm, and has been in progress all the week. More than 200 Negro farmers from this section of the State have witnessed the demonstrations and heard the lectures, in many cases being accompanied by their wives and families.

The demonstration work was in charge of George W. Patterson, government agent for this immediate district, while the whole course was conducted by T. M. Campbell, representing the United States Department of Agriculture for the district of Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana. Assisting in the demonstrations were W. A. Tate, C. D. Menafee, Harry W. Sims and George W. Patterson.

Prof. Campbell called attention to the effort the United States Department of Agriculture is making to be of distinct help and encouragement to farmers throughout the South, and urged the sympathetic co-operation on the part of Negro farmers. He declared that inasmuch as they formed a goodly portion of the agricultural population of the Southland, it was incumbent upon the Negro to reap as much benefit as possible out of their farm work.

A notable address before the farmers and visitors was made by President Walter S. Buchanan, who is himself an agricultural expert. He stated in the outset that it was the duty of landlords to encourage their Negro renters, share-croppers and wage hands to take advantage of latter-day instruction in farming, not only to the end that laborers themselves might be benefited, but that the largest possible returns might be made to them individually.

Among other things, Prof. Buchanan said: "I am glad that all classes of Negro farmers are taking a keener interest in scientific agriculture—book farming, as we used to call it. We have been a long time learning the absurdity of the statement that 'any old fool can farm.' It is being proved more and more to our satisfaction that the man who puts the most brains into the soil reaps the largest harvest. This is true whether the farmer be a renter, share-cropper, wages hand or owner. The man who gets the largest crops at the lowest cost is a desirable citizen in whatever community, and he will soon be the owner of his farm, no matter how high the cost.

"It is encouraging to note that at this short course we have mothers and fathers, young men and women, who are share-croppers and wage hands, as well as those who are renters and owners. Now, when you return to your homes, put into practice the things you have learned here. Practice them regardless of whether you are working for wages or running on your own hook. I know of a man who allowed the rain to spoil a whole winter's supply of feed for him because the landlord refused to repair the roof of his barn. Insist on having the landlord do his fair share, but don't allow your crop, your stock, your family and your standing as a farmer to suffer because a miserly and non-progressive landlord won't do his duty.

"Some of us let the houses we live in rot down and refuse to drive a nail because we don't own the place; yet we live there from year to year and subject our wives and children to much suffering and sickness. This is what drives our boys and girls from the farms and away from our hearth-sides. For our own sakes, let us make our homes comfortable and inviting, whether we own them or not.

"These scientific farmers are going to talk to you about deep plowing and will perhaps say that the results of deep plowing show up better three years after than does the first year. Some share-croppers and renters are so short-sighted they won't plow deep for fear they will be making the land better for some one else. If all renters practice such a narrow policy, then rented land would never be improved. On the other hand, if all our farmers do their utmost to put the farms on which they work in first-class shape,

no matter what farm a man moved to, he would find it in good condition. "It is this class of farmers we must reach through our short courses and schools of agriculture. For generations to come the great mass of us will be share-croppers or renters or wage-earners. It is this mass we would reach. They constitute, not the Negro problem, but the South's agricultural problem, and as long as they sit in lethargy and darkness the development of the South must proceed against the dead burden of their ignorance and inefficiency."

The True Reformers Will Furnish Money.

The officers and members of the Grand Fountain of the United Order of True Reformers have decided upon a uniform plan to furnish money to meet its obligations to all those who hold claims against it on account of death. They have three reasons why they should save the order:

First, to protect the people who hold claims against the order.

Second, to protect the old men and women who have supported the organization for the past 20 or 25 years and are now too old to join any other organization, should this go out of existence.

Third, the members have thoroughly made up their minds not to be cowards, but men and women, who can meet financial difficulties like other races without giving up in despair.

Their plan is as follows: Every member who really desires to save the order is asked first to square up in full the books of his or her Fountain; then every one of the 60,000 members is asked to loan the Grand Fountain from \$5, \$10, \$25 or \$100, with 6 per cent interest.

This plan to finance the order has been o. k.-d by the insurance commissioners, and unanimously decided upon by the True Reformers in every section of the country, which means no failure.

Friends of the organization are coming to the aid of the members in keeping this great order in operation for the inspiration it has given to representatives of other organizations.

Fifty thousand dollars is no more for 60,000 members to raise than it is for a small church congregation to raise \$1,000.

Chief W. R. Griffin called his people together and told them what plan had been decided upon by Mr. A. W. Holmes, Grand Master, and in less than 20 minutes \$63,363 had been paid and subscribed.

Business High School.

Through the activity of Dr. W. B. Evans, the Business High School has received a set of new life cases and eight new typewriters. Dr. Evans' activity in trying to improve the equipment is worthy of commendation, in view of the attitude of some other officials toward the school.

The second gun in the campaign for a new Business High School will be fired under the auspices of a joint committee of citizens' associations and other prominent men. Mr. Murray, who is in charge of the school, is very active in organizing sentiment, and promises some concrete results in the near future. One of Mr. Murray's pet schemes is the establishment of a bank at the school, and by the beginning of the new school year he hopes to have it in working shape.

The citizens certainly ought to encourage young Mr. Murray in his efforts to have a successful Business High School. The Bee suggests that this trade school propaganda will not receive the indorsement of the people. Let the people have a new colored Assistant Superintendent.

Some Great Men.

Editor of The Bee: The Sage of Anacostia in his writings of "Public Men and Things," is not as fully informed of the period of which he writes as he should be. He says the public men of to-day—in this city, Tyler, Vernon, Lincoln Johnson—suffer in comparison with Douglass, Bruce, Langston and Lynch, being overshadowed by the clerks and messengers in the Departments, many of whom are lawyers and doctors, etc.

The clerks of to-day suffer in comparison with the clerks who came in the service in the days of the men referred to. Take that great scholar and man of affairs in South Carolina, F. L. Cardozo; R. T. Greene, law clerk to the Comptroller of the Treasury, who had been a professor in the State University of South Carolina and Dean of the Law Department of Howard; T. J. Minton, the finished scholar, law clerk to the Comptroller of the Treasury; J. W. Cromwell; Rev. William Waring, few who equaled him; James H. Piles, the finished scholar, lawyer and in public life as was his brother Joseph before entering the Department; J. H. Smythe, law clerk to the Comptroller of the Treasury, who was sent to Liberia as Minister; John A. Puree, Jerome Johnson, William Cole, W. Cavlin Chase, the lawyer, editor and politician; Dr. George H. Richardson; Prof. Richardson, his brother; George W. Williams, the historian; J. C. Napier, the lawyer and business man; Charles, Fred and Lewis Douglas, all trained newspaper men of a high order; George C. Smith, that all-round man and the right-hand man of attainments overshadowed by Bruce and Lynch. Judge Terrell was among that splendid body of men. True, there are many brilliant lawyers and sundown doctors in the service now, but who will say that they come up to the men whom I have named, all of whom, nearly, won their spurs in the saddle of activity in the world.—A Reader of The Bee.

Lost or Gone Astray?

To the Editor of The Bee: The readers of The Bee will please pardon me for asking such a pertinent question—I mean no harm whatever—but what, pray tell us, has become of one Mr. Lewis, a prominent colored lawyer, of Boston, Mass., who was before the last election to have been appointed Assistant Attorney General of the United States?

The appointment, so the newspapers said, was to be made as a just recognition of the Negro race. Why has not Mr. Lewis been appointed yet now? Has the Negro race been weighed in the scales since the last election and is found wanting?

Now, I repeat, I don't mean any harm by asking such an embarrassing question, but really there is a screw loose somewhere. In short, "There is a bigger in the woodpile." Big voluntary promises seldom, if ever, amount to very much, and the colored people are beginning to show signs of having but little faith in them. All of the colored people have been fooled in the past, but the shrewdest politicians will find it an uphill business to fool the majority of them in the future.

But we go back to that little embarrassing question, "What has become of the colored Assistant U. S. Attorney General?" (That appointment was to be made in just recognition of the colored race.) Will some of the colored newspaper editors give the race some information as to why the appointment hasn't been made?

We call upon the editors and leaders (?) of the race to guide us in this wilderness of ignorance as to why the race (Lewis) hasn't yet been recognized. Can you tell us?—Joseph C. Cunningham.

Masons Meet.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons met on Dec. 12 in continuous session for the purpose of installing the newly-elected Grand Officers. Companion Andrew W. Sears, the retiring Most Excellent Grand High Priest, assisted by P. G. H. P. John N. Dorster, installed the officers as follows: Most Excellent Grand High Priest, George S. Newman; Deputy Grand High Priest, Thomas M. Dent; Grand King, W. H. Anderson; Grand Scribe, O. O. Miner; Grand Secretary, James Bampfield; Grand Treasurer, Benjamin F. Daley; Grand Captain of the Host, Benjamin F. Pope; Principal Sojourner, A. F. Clark; Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Severance; Grand R. A. Captain, Frank Spriggs; Grand Master of First Veil, H. P. Jackson; Grand Master of Second Veil, Wilson Smith; Grand Master of Third Veil, Stephen Johnson; Grand Guard, Edward Chase.

The annual session was then closed and the members of the Grand Chapter repaired to the Brunswick Hotel, where a fine banquet was spread for their benefit. It was a splendid outlay, and all were loud in their praise of the hotel and its popular proprietor. Prominent among the distinguished persons were P. G. H. P. John W. Freeman, who has been a member of the Masonic Fraternity for more than 50 years; Right Eminent Grand Commander of Knights Templar Sir John P. Turner and other distinguished members of the Fraternity.

Glad Tidings.

Rejoice, O earth, and sing aloud, for unto you this day of heaven and earth, who?—Yanger lay: Of lowly me, in human form a Savior, yea, a God. That He might feel our griefs and woes, and know the paths we trod.

Rejoice, O earth, yea, shout for joy and spread the news abroad That Christ, our Savior, came to earth to bear man's sin-cursed load; To soothe our sorrows, calm our fears, and wipe away our tears; To cheer our weary, sin-sick souls, to lighten all our cares.

Rejoice, O earth, for on this day a mighty King was born, Reviled, despised, yet for our sake He minded not earth's scorn; And meekly wore the crown of thorns and died that we might live. Rejoice, O earth; lift up your hearts, to Him your praises give.

Rejoice, O earth, yea, send the cry o'er mountain, vale and hill; Join with that great angelic choir in "Peace on earth, good will." Let all the Nation shout and sing, our King now reigns above; Rejoice, O earth; give praise to Him, your glorious King of love. —James Conway Jackson.

The Protective League Election.

The annual election of officers of the Young Men's Protective League occurred last Tuesday evening. Standing room was at a premium, as the contest was the greatest in the history of the League. The approximate members in attendance was 400.

The successful candidates were: A. T. Lewis, President; Dr. William H. Timms, First Vice President; Ed. Holland, Second Vice President; A. Lincoln Alexander, Financial Secretary; A. Woodson, Assistant Financial Secretary; Walter J. Singleton, Recording Secretary; Nathaniel Ruffin, Assistant Recording Secretary; Daniel Freeman, Treasurer; W. Hamilton, Sergeant-at-Arms; Charles H. Shorter, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms; Rev. Joseph H. Lee, Prelate.

Board of Directors (new members): Arthur F. Boston, John R. Robinson; William E. L. Sanford, Hiram W. Ball. Tellers for the election: Andrew J. Payne, Chairman; George T. Reason, Dr. S. M. Pierre, James N. Richardson.

Public Men And Things

(By the Sage of the Potomac.)

Some of the colored clerks at the Census Office are complaining that there are two or three colored women clerks in the Census Office, but want white on them at the office, but want to recognize them when among strictly colored women. Of course, these particular women complained of have the lily-white complexion. My advice to the other colored clerks is not to let this worry them. The colored man or woman who plays white on friends when real white people are around and then want to play colored in cases of necessity, are not worth a worry. Real white people don't want them and colored people will sooner or later tag them out.

I dropped in Ford Dabney's mint the other night to see the motion picture and hear the vandevillians. Mitchell certainly does advertise Dr. Summer Wormley. I guess he aims to get Dr. Sum. to plug up those two front teeth of his that are out for nothing. He is all wrong there, though, for when Dr. Wormley gets you in his dental chair you have to make a noise like real money, or there's nothing doing. And speaking of Dr. Sum. Wormley, there's a likely fellow, one of the most popular in the town. In all my years here I never heard a single person say an unkind word of him. And the ladies, why everything they say about him is put up in Huyler's chocolate drops. It is his own fault that he is single. I know a dozen ladies who would do his cooking for him, if he would only hint at that question, "Will you have me?" But narry a hint from this gay young old bachelor. There is not a real Washingtonian who deserves more credit than this same Dr. Sum. Wormley. Some years ago, when he found himself a derelict on a rough financial sea, he did not leave his ship nor ask to be towed in shore; he just jumped all the water out of his old derelict, assumed his place in the pilot house, and steered the old ship to calmer sea, and now look at him. Why, he's making money faster than they turn it out at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Oh, he's the pure grit, let me tell you. Teddy would say, a "bully fellow."

I was down in the 5 and 10 cent store Monday—there is where I always buy my Christmas presents—and I met a couple of ladies who circulate in what is called "the upper one hundred and twenty-five" circle. Well, sir, they were buying Haviland china, Libby's cut glass and other expensive articles at 5 and 10 cents a throw to beat the band. And they bought 5-cent socks, 10-cent pictures, and 5-cent neckties to beat the band. Their husbands or fiancées will never know when he thrusts his No. 10's in from the 5 and 10 centemporium. I tell you, it made me feel good to see them there. But they looked awfully cheap and put out when they saw me. And I felt the same way when I saw them looking at me. I guess they do just as I do, however—remove the price mark before they put their presents in a 50-cent push box. I have got to go down to the "five and tenner" again to-day, for I promised one of my lady relatives a pony coat, and I understand you can get coney coats there for 10 cents that look like \$100 coats—to a blind man.

Well, I am awfully busy shopping this week, so can't write much. After Christmas I am "coming back" strong. I have got some rattling good stuff locked up in my think-tank that I will unload after Christmas. Until then, au revoir, but before closing I want to wish all the readers of The Bee a Merry Christmas.

A GREAT EVENT.

The Greatest Athletic Meet in the History of the Schools.

The Convention Hall has been reserved for the night of March 11, 1911, for the large athletic meet of the colored public schools of the city. Without a doubt this meet will be the attraction of the winter. The project is a large undertaking, but the Interscholastic Athletic Association and the Teachers' Benefit and Annuity Association have pledged their support. The various committees report a steady increase in the number of subscriptions, which will insure the success of the meet. The boys of the graded schools especially are enthusiastic, and this enthusiasm is greatly augmented by the interest and untiring efforts of the teachers and school principals.

Principals of various schools announce through the Publicity Committee the following officers to represent their school team in the division leagues:

Randall School—J. C. Bruce, Principal; Oscar Randall, President; Ruby Davis, Vice President; Genevieve Turner, Secretary; Miss S. E. Jackson, teacher of the sixth grade, Treasurer; Ethel Turner, Assistant Treasurer.

Phillips School—Austin Sewell, President; Guy Lee, Vice President; Carl Bell, Secretary; Miss E. M. Hall, Treasurer; Herbert Johnson, Assistant Treasurer. The Randall School has the distinction of having several girls as officers of the school teams.

Bell School—Benton Yates, President; Eugene Reed, Vice President; Everett Porter, Secretary; Miss M. E. Burrill, Treasurer; Simeon Cunningham, Assistant Treasurer; J. E. Syphax, Principal.

Miner School—William Johnson, President; Charles Wilson, Vice President; Jacob Walker, Secretary; Chas. Johnson, Treasurer; Miss K. U. Alexander, Principal.

Cook School—Charles Harris, President; George Frye, Vice President; Serrol Gibbs, Secretary; Miss S. C. Lewis, Treasurer; Bernard Ross, Assistant Treasurer.

Payne School—Edward Green, President; William Ross, Vice President; Pearl Scott, Secretary; G. B. Key, Treasurer; Miss M. L. Jordan, Principal.

Stevens School—William Watkins, President; John Maddox, Vice President; Harry Magruder, captain of basketball team; Thomas Swann, Secretary; Miss A. E. Charity, Treasurer; Miss M. E. Gibbs, Principal.

The organization of the Eleventh Division League resulted in the following election: A. P. Lewis, Principal of Patterson School, President; Miss K. C. Lewis, Principal of Mott School, Vice President; Miss M. E. Shorter, Principal of Military Road School, Secretary-Treasurer.

Langston School—Robert Ford, President; Clarence Gilmore, Vice President; Miss R. E. Tolliver, Treasurer; Ralph Barbour, Assistant Treasurer; E. D. Barrier, Principal.

Sumner School—Miss M. M. Orme, Principal; William Forcey, President; Arthur Brooks, Vice President; Chas. Braxton, Secretary; Miss Ellen Truman, Treasurer; R. A. Gillem, Assistant Treasurer.

Cardozo School—Clinton Nickens, President; Morris Carter, Vice President; Prince Johnson, Secretary; Miss J. E. Page, Principal, Treasurer.

Wilson School—Barnard Hill, President; George Shields, Vice President; Alphonson Jones, Secretary; Miss L. S. Lacy, Treasurer; Jack Gray, Assistant Treasurer; F. J. Cardozo, Principal.

Garfield School—Edward Cook, President; Lawrence Howard, Vice President; Thomas Bowman, Treasurer; Elias Brown, Assistant Treasurer; H. W. Lewis, Principal.

Register Vernon's Denial.

Washington, Dec. 17, 1910.

Editor Washington Bee: There is going the rounds of the press a statement that I took the civil service examination at Cincinnati recently. I would be obliged if you will publish this denial. I have taken no civil service examination either at Cincinnati or elsewhere.

W. VERNON.

No Trade School Needed.

The people of this city, and especially the taxpayers, are opposed to the exclusive establishment of a trade school. The Armstrong Manual Training School is all the trade school the people want. What is needed is a Business High School. Such a school will be more beneficial to the people than anything else. It is hoped that Superintendent Stuart will consult the wishes of the people.

J. A. A.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16, 1910.

The J. A. A. has been reorganized and the following officers and committees were elected:

Officers—President, Louis Harris; Vice President, Milton Martin; Secretary, Leroy Holcombe; Assistant Secretary, Alphonson Brown; Treasurer, Miss H. S. Collier; Assistant Treasurer, James Jackson; General Instructor and Manager, Jesse Hanson.

Executive Committee—James Martin, James Moss, Charles Wimberly, Alphonson Brown.

Games Committee—James Jackson, Arthur Hayes, Charles Fields, Roscoe Bradford.

Things That Happened in Y. M. P. L.

Aldridge Lewis and his cohorts swept Singleton from the face of the earth.

Dr. Sam Pierre is happy and Arthur Baston has repented.

Ed. Holland can always be found with the boys.

It is now Secretary Singleton, instead of President Singleton.

It was a revolution that was not expected.

Dr. S. M. Pierre will sing the old year out and then pray the New Year in. He now wears a smile that will not come off. When you meet Sam always ask him how he feels. He will understand.

Recorder Johnson Returned.

After some time by the bedside of his sick mother, Recorder Henry Lincoln Johnson has returned to the city. The Recorder, who was compelled to return to this city on account of urgent business, reports his mother as being in a very dangerous condition. The Recorder has the sympathy of his friends.

Negro Academy.

The Charles Sumner Centenary will be held under the auspices of the American Negro Academy at the Fifteenth street Presbyterian Church on the evening of Jan. 6, 1911. President Archibald H. Grimke will deliver the historical address, Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford, of the District Supreme Court, will deliver an address, will also Prof. Kelly Miller, of Howard University. Dr. Charles Sumner Wormley will sing a solo, Miss Mary P. Burrill will read Mrs. F. J. Grimke's original poem, "Sumner." Former Senator William E. Chandler has also been invited to be present and make a few remarks.

Attention, Teachers!

If there are any teachers who have a little spare time after school hours and would like to use it profitably they should write Mr. A. R. Stewart, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama.

PARAGRAPHIC NEWS

(By Miss G. B. Maxfield.)

Four of the prominent and wealthy white men in Mobile, Ala., have been convicted of peonage. It looks as if they will be sentenced to spend a period in jail, since the United States Supreme Court has confirmed the decision of the lower court.

There seems to be a school fight in Columbus, Ohio, as they are trying to segregate the children. The results are eagerly being watched by the colored people in Ohio.

The Catholic University has founded two scholarships on a donation made by Herbert G. Squiers, at one time United States Minister to Panama.

Mr. M. Goldstein, of this city, was fined \$10 in Richmond, Va., for riding in the "Jim Crow" car, which is reserved for colored people. Not being familiar with the laws in Virginia, he refused to move when told by the conductor.

A 1,000-year-old egg has been discovered by a party of explorers excavating the ancient Moguntium, constructed by Drusus, son of Emperor Augustus of Rome, in 14 B. C.

Senor Don Anibal Cruz, Minister from Chile to the United States, expired suddenly at the Chilean Legation last Sunday from heart disease. His death was a shock to his colleagues, and he will be missed from the diplomatic circle.

A committee from the Mississippi Society has been appointed to prepare a program to observe the birthday anniversary of Gen. Robert E. Lee. The Society also strongly indorsed the proposal to hold the Panama Exposition in New Orleans in 1915.

So anxious was his desire to see his name in the newspaper, H. C. Denno, an apprentice seaman, shot himself in the finger while on duty. Oh, for notoriety.

Mrs. Russell Sage has asked Park Commissioner Stover for a list of the laborers in Central Park that receive \$3 and less per day, as she intends to give each one a \$5 gold piece. There are 335 men who will receive Mrs. Sage's bounty.

Many mounds of prehistoric construction have recently been opened in the Mississippi Valley and in the neighborhood of St. Louis. There has also been a large amount of ethnologic material collected from them, and a bulletin has been issued by the Smithsonian Institute.

Senator Root has leased an apartment in the new \$1,000,000 house erected in New York for \$25,000 a year. His suite will consist of 22 rooms and eight baths. The price is one of the highest prices ever paid for a New York apartment.

Acting upon advice of President Taft, the President of Panama has closed all the lotteries in Panama. The lottery companies affected were owned by Chinese and earned about \$7,000,000 a year. These companies were a big source of revenue to the Republic, and it was a big sacrifice for Panama to abolish them.

Announcement is made that a periodical to be known as the Catholic Educational Review is to be published by the trustees of the Catholic University of America.

Tolstoy's grave at Yasnia Poliana is likely to become one of the chief places of pilgrimage. At the grave many hundreds may be seen on their knees chanting and kissing the soil.

Harvey W. Wiley, M. D., Ph. D., LL. D., chemist of the Department of Agriculture, will be presented with one of the Elliott Cresson gold medals by the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia in that city next week.

Plans have been decided on for the erection here of a Normal College for the higher education of the sisters who teach in Catholic schools.

At the commencement of the current year the Jews in Russia numbered 5,110,548 persons. The largest Jewish centers are Warsaw, with 254,712, and Odessa, with 138,935.

John D. Rockefeller has completed the task he set for himself in the founding of the University of Chicago. He gave his final gift Dec. 21, which was \$100,000, making a total of \$35,000,000 which has been donated to the university by Mr. Rockefeller.

Don't fail to consult McCall's Magazine, "the Queen of Fashions," before making up your New Year's trousseau.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the traveler, will return to New York on the steamship George Washington. Dr. Cook has not been in New York since his disappearance shortly after the submission of his polar records to the University of Copenhagen, more than a year ago.

Two Haitian Deputies, Messrs. Pierre and Mariellene Jaelien, are in New York negotiating with bankers for a loan of several hundred thousand dollars, which is to be used in payment of arrears of government salaries.

President Taft sent to the Senate the nomination of Charles A. Cotterill, of Toledo, Ohio, to be Collector of Internal Revenue at Honolulu, Hawaii. It is said the people of Honolulu are greatly wrought up over the appointment of a Negro to the Collectorship.

Ten million dollars have been given away by Andrew Carnegie for the purpose of preserving the peace of the world.

John W. Smith, 68 years of age, once a slave, has started to school at his home in Kansas City, Kans. He says he has given his children a good education and now it is his desire to gratify his ambition, which has been to read and write.